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RE: ADM File No. 2009-11

Dear Chief Justice Kelly:

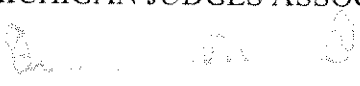
At the September 22, 2009 meeting of the Michigan Judges Association, the Executive Board considered the above-referenced proposed amendment.

The Michigan Judges Association considered ADM File No. 2009-11, proposed amendment of Rule 6.302 of the Michigan Court Rules. The Michigan Judges Association strongly opposes this Rule because it is not practical. It will cause unnecessary delays and would inhibit candor to have all plea discussions on the record. It is unnecessary as there is already a plea-taking procedure that is in effect to make sure that the Defendant is not being coerced into agreeing to anything.

We thank the Court for considering our input on these matters. If the Michigan Judges Association may provide any further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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